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Grass is shooting up all over the plains and the cattle waxeth fatter and fatter.

The reduced railroad fares over the various systems are going to contribute largely to the success of the irrigation convention.

The dull times have not affected the HEADLIGHT in any regard and the best weekly in New Mexico continues to grow in popularity.

The arrangements for the coming irrigation convention are going quietly forward and the gathering is certain to result in great good.

The Silver City Sentinel has a large contract upon its hands to attempt to defend the actions of the Board of County Commissioners of Grant.

Grant county is terribly in need of agricultural resources and the irrigation convention will undoubtedly add great impetus to this industry.

If the democrats of Chicago are wise, they will not put up a candidate against Judge Gary, the terror to anarchists. If ever there was a call for non-partisan action in a judicial contest, that time has arrived in Chicago.

The operations of the Rio Mimbres Irrigation company in the Mimbres valley have been completed and will afford an excellent illustration of the benefits to be derived from systematic irrigation to the delegates to the irrigation convention.

The residents of Deming and vicinity are wisely turning their attention to agriculture and with wonderful results. An agricultural section cannot be affected by financial depressions to the same extent as countries dependent upon mining or other unstable industries.

As nearly all of the high tariff organs favor the single gold standard, we frequently see in them the statement that with bad money, wages are the first thing to fall and the last thing to rise. While wages are thus going down like lead and rising like a dry goods clerk on Sunday morning, "protection" is supposed to be doing business at the same old stand.

The present financial trouble arises from a lack of confidence. People make demands up on the banks they would not think of doing under ordinary circumstances, and those institutions, not being able to meet the untimely calls made upon them, close their doors. There are but few banks in the land, comparatively speaking, that can survive when a senseless raid is made upon their resources.

The HEADLIGHT does not advocate the free coinage of silver on the sole ground that it would be beneficial to the mineral producing regions. But we advocate it because the appreciation of gold has produced a general shrinkage of the value of all our products, a general scarcity of money among our people, and places the United States practically at the mercy, if they have any, of the money kings of Europe.

The Lordsburg Liberal, trying to be funny, states that the editor of this paper is the "young lawyer" who will be chosen delegate from New Mexico in 1894. We take occasion to assure the editor of the Liberal that we are not a lawyer, to begin with, and in the second place, that the candidate in question is known from one end of the Territory to the other and will develop a strength which will astound the people of the Liberal's side in politics. As we before stated, he may have to resign high official position to accept the nomination, but he is a man who never shirks a duty. We have no doubt that when this delegate is once seated in congress, the Liberal man will be quite ready to beg his aid in holding down the postoffice at Lordsburg.

The heavy rains have resulted in considerable damage to different localities in the Territory, but these losses are nothing compared with the general benefits derived.

Now is the time for every citizen of Deming to put his shoulder to the wheel and aid in the work incident to the meeting of the irrigation convention in November.

We rejoice that the finances of Grant county are in such healthy condition, notwithstanding the stringency of the times, that our Board of County Commissioners can afford to ignore the offer of the HEADLIGHT, which would save our taxpayers about one thousand dollars per year.

The coming silver convention to be held in Albuquerque in September must not be lost sight of. Let the people of Deming at once elect a good delegation, sending men to Albuquerque who are earnest in the cause and who will assist in making the gathering a success. Join hands for the Albuquerque silver convention!

Just now is the time when the wise householder will see that no foul smelling refuse is allowed to lie about his lot. Personal safety should prompt everybody to regard garbage as a very undesirable neighbor. A great deal of it can be burned in the kitchen, and need never be thrown into the rear of the yard to breed disease.

The meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias of the Territory and the first annual encampment of the various divisions comprising the first regiment of New Mexico, including a competitive drill for prizes aggregating over \$500, will attract many visitors here at the time of the irrigation convention in November.

It may safely be prophesied from the manner in which congress is standing that the extra session will be barren of results. The only remedy is for our national legislators to face squarely to the right, take up a tariff reform bill and make it a law, with immediate application. This will do more to right existing evils than any other step. Then, let all financial legislation now upon our statute books be repealed and give the advocates of silver a fair chance with the gold-bugs and in an open field. Repeal the sneaking legislation of 1873, and silver will go back to over a dollar an ounce. The repeal of the Sherman Act alone is no remedy; it is merely a concession to the monopolists.

The arrests recently made in Deming under the operation of the Edmunds Act are very generally criticised by our best citizens as an extremely small piece of business, working injustice and hardship upon a class of citizens as poor and humble that really they have no means of defending themselves. Not that the officers who served the warrants are to blame. They had a duty to perform which they could not avoid, and we have no doubt that in a number of instances it was extremely unpleasant for them; but it is understood here that the complaints against these parties was the outgrowth of spite work on the part of an individual who had been arrested here and sent to jail for chicken stealing. The Edmunds law was never intended to cover such cases as these, and United States Commissioners should exercise some slight discrimination. That officer is not obliged to issue a warrant on the information of a notorious criminal and the law does not contemplate that he should do so. The whole business involves the government in useless, idle expense, subserving no other purpose than to help make up the fees of United States officials. We do not defend or apologize for these poor devils who are the victims of this law, but we do entertain and express the opinion that this is a very small game for the great and august government of the United States. The question naturally suggests itself as to why the poor are thus prosecuted, while notorious cases of wealthy men in an adjoining county and elsewhere are winked at.

THROUGHOUT NEW MEXICO.

Small Bits of News and Gossip concerning the Different Localities in the Territory.

The Pecos Valley dam will be rebuilt at once.

The Media Valley fruit crop is unusually large this year.

New Mexico had, according to the last census, 128,000 inhabitants.

There will be good beef this fall all over southern New Mexico.

There are 41,000,000 gallons of water in Santa Fe's new reservoir.

The Albuquerque Citizen wants every town in New Mexico to have its silver club.

The oldest inhabitant never knew of a case of cholera or malarial fever in the Pecos valley.

The work of putting in the mains and hydrants for fire protection at Eddy has been commenced.

The Pecos Valley railroad has just received another new engine from Schenectady, making six now owned.

There is under consideration a plan to effectively advertise the Pecos valley by means of a traveling car of exhibits.

There are many cattle dead in the Pecos country now—probably more than have died in any season for many years.

It is probable that \$50,000 will scarcely cover the damage done by recent washouts to the railway lines in New Mexico.

There yet remains more than \$20,000 of taxes of last year uncollected in this county. This is about one-fifth of the entire tax roll.

The game season will open September 15. Fishing by hook is lawful, providing those fishing do not sell their catch. Carp, catfish and buffalo are the species more commonly caught.

The floods were especially high in the vicinity of Springer. At this brick yard a stream of water undermined a kiln of brick containing about 50,000 and caused the structure to topple over.

Increased activity is promised in the gold mines at Gold Hill, this county, for the rest of the season. The mines are being steadily developed with generally good results and the prospects of the camp are excellent.

It is probable that the normal school which was authorized by the last legislature will be opened in Silver City next year. The proposed building will not be ready but the trustees will probably lease a building for the purpose.

A valuable vein of fire clay has been discovered near Santa Fe suitable for pottery moulding. This fire clay is said to be fully equal to the English article and will stand a heat of 1,500 degrees, which is almost as good as the best European porcelain clay.

From a sluggish stream twelve feet wide the Rio Grande became a roaring torrent, bank full, in less than three hours at Socorro last week. The railroad track was submerged at several points, and a large force of men was set to work repairing the road bed.

The rains that have visited New Mexico during the past two weeks have been more general than for five years. The heretofore overstocked ranges were thinned out this spring by shipments to northern pastures, and the prospects of the cattlemen are brighter than ever before—since the beginning of the decline in cattle, in the latter eighties.

The big dam across the Pecos river burst Sunday morning, and the city was flooded with three feet of water. The large dam is entirely swept away. It was fifteen hundred feet wide, forty-five feet high and twenty-five feet wide on the top, and the loss to the company is about \$150,000. Other heavy losses were sustained the valley, the damage to growing crops being considerable. The Pecos valley railroad was also badly washed, several bridges being destroyed.

White Oaks was among the towns damaged by floods. Tremendous volumes of water dowed down all the many arroyos uniting in one vast flood just below town. The roads for miles have been obliterated and are totally impassable. About 3,000 tons of tallings at the South Homestead mill were carried away. These tallings were estimated at \$5 per ton. The immense frame building erected for Chislett & Aubrey, who were preparing to work tallings by the cyanide process is almost a total wreck. A lot of freight which had been just delivered, including a 4-horse power gasoline engine, was swept away. The engine lies imbedded in the arroyo, about 100 yards away. The loss will probably reach \$10,000.

Advices from the pretty little town of Tolosa, Dona Ana county, give meager details of a shooting scrape there last week. Julio Silva and Hilario Bernal started out to shoot up the town. Constable Duran undertook to arrest them on that street when Silva opened fire upon him. Duran returned the compliment and shot Silva in the hip, the ball lodging in the groin. Bernal fled on horseback. Constable Duran secured a posse and overtook the desperado, who at once opened fire on the posse. His attack was as promptly and more effectively responded to by the posse—a ball striking Bernal under the left shoulder and coming out above the left nipple. Both men are dead. Officer Duran was promptly acquitted.

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